

Columbia River Gorge Commission

RCW 43.97

Request	\$1,862,000	
Net change from current biennium	\$97,144	Increase
Percent change from current biennium	5.5%	Increase

The Columbia River Gorge Commission plans for and manages the Columbia River Gorge National Scenic Area in partnership with Washington, Oregon, six counties, thirteen communities, the United States Forest Service, and four Native American Treaty Tribes. Created under the National Scenic Area Act and an interstate compact between Washington and Oregon, the bi-state Gorge Commission is mandated to protect and enhance the scenic, natural, cultural, and recreational resources of the Columbia River Gorge and to protect and support the economy of the Columbia River Gorge area by encouraging growth in existing urban areas and by allowing economic development consistent with efforts to protect scenic area resources.

Agency Mission

The mission of the Columbia River Gorge Commission is to establish, implement, and enforce policies and programs that protect and enhance the scenic, natural, recreational, and cultural resources of the Columbia River Gorge and support the economy of the area by encouraging growth to occur in existing urban areas and allowing economic development consistent with resource protection.

Agency Level Summary

Operating Budget: Summary

2013-15 Appropriations		Appropriated Funds	Expenditures		
Amount	Estimated Balance		2011-13 Actual	2013-15 Estimated	2015-17 Proposed
892,000	4,144	General Fund - Basic Account - State	797,878	887,856	932,000
31,000		General Fund - Basic Account - Federal	26,442	31,000	32,000
875,000	29,000	General Fund - Basic Account - Private/Local	768,994	846,000	898,000
		General Fund - Basic Account - Private/Local	37,888		
		Unanticipated			
<u>1,798,000</u>	<u>33,144</u>	Total Appropriated Funds	<u>1,631,202</u>	<u>1,764,856</u>	<u>1,862,000</u>

Operating Budget: Change from Preceding Biennium

	2011-13 Actual		2013-15 Estimated		2015-17 Proposed	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Total	(68,873)	(4.1)%	133,654	8.2%	97,144	5.5%

Employment Summary

	2012-13 Actual	2013-14 Estimated	2014-15 Estimated	2015-16 Proposed	2016-17 Proposed
FTE Staff Years	5.7	5.7	7.1	7.0	6.9